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3 By Representative Wallace  
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8                   URGING THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO  
9                   DISPLAY THE LEGEND "WATCH FOR MOTORCYCLES" ON ROADSIDE TRAFFIC  
10                   ADVISORY SIGNAGE DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 2012.

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12                   WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature finds a compelling  
13                   public interest in encouraging motorists in Alabama to be  
14                   vigilant for the presence of motorcycles on roadways, so as to  
15                   avoid traffic accidents and fatalities; and

16                   WHEREAS, studies have shown that operators of  
17                   automobiles tend to be less aware of the presence of  
18                   non-four-wheeled vehicles in their vicinity and that  
19                   two-thirds of motorcycle accidents involve a motorcycle and a  
20                   four-wheeled vehicle; and

21                   WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety  
22                   Administration has declared May "Motorcycle Awareness Month";  
23                   it is the desire of this Legislature to join the NHTSA in  
24                   raising awareness of the growing number of motorcyclists on  
25                   Alabama's roadways, in order to prevent accidents and save  
26                   lives; now therefore,

1                   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
2                   HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby urge and exhort the  
3                   Alabama Department of Transportation to direct that all  
4                   available roadside traffic advisory signage display the legend  
5                   "Watch for Motorcycles" throughout the month of May 2012, in  
6                   the absence of any intervening circumstance or more urgent  
7                   message to display.

8                   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
9                   resolution will be provided to the Director of the Alabama  
10                  Department of Transportation.